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In re application of:

Edward Shipwash

Application No.: 09/927,424

Filed: August 9, 2001

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR
RAPID BIOMOLECULAR
RECOGNITION OF AMINO ACIDS
AND PROTEIN SEQUENCING

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No.: 6393

Examiner: Hashemi, Shar S.

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 14, 2003, please enter the following Amendments and Remarks. Applicant also submits a Petition for an Extension of Time to the present date with payment of the appropriate fee.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 8 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 16 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 17 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figure is attached following page 25 of this paper.